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# Mediterranean Nutritionist Lifestyle Community by Ale Zozos, MS, RDN

Welcome to the MEDI Method community! With this meal plan you'll gain insights to a plantforward Mediterranean diet and lifestyle way of eating focused on fruits, vegetables, nuts, seeds, beans, legumes, fatty fish, and of course extra-virgin olive oil!

My philosophy empowers you to ask yourself how your diet will improve by what you can ADD to your plan rather than by restricting foods and food groups. With a lifestyle, think of every food as on limits. You will learn how to live fearlessly and confidently knowing how to best fuel your body.

Stay tuned for new podcast episodes and cooking demonstrations!

Very Best, Ale Zozos , MS , KDM





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#### **Grocery List**

BAKERY				
	1 loaf (24 oz) of Whole Wheat Bread 1 package (8 ct) of Whole Wheat Tortillas		1 bag (6 ct) of Whole Wheat Pita Bread	
BAKI	NG GOODS			
	1 package (12 oz) of Dark Chocolate Chips			
CANN	IED / JAR GOODS			
	1 can (2-3 oz) of Black Olives 1 can (15 oz) of Canned Pears 1 jar (8 oz) of Pesto ALS		1 can (15 oz) of Canned Black Beans 1 can (15 oz) of Canned White Beans 1 can (28 oz) of Whole Peeled Tomatoes	
	<sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> pounds of Rolled Oats			
	1 block (12 oz) of Cheddar Cheese 1 container (4 oz) of Feta Cheese <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> ounces of Parmesan Cheese 3 containers (8 oz) of Plain Low-Fat Greek Yogurt		1 half dozen Eggs 1 pint of Milk, 2% fat 2 3/ <sub>8</sub> ounces of Pepper Jack Cheese	



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DAIRY			
1 tub (5 oz) of Shaved Parmigiano Reggiano	1 package (8 oz) of Shredded Mozzarella Cheese		
DELI			
1 container (10 oz) Hummus	$1/_8$ pounds of Sliced Deli Turkey		
DESSERTS			
1 bottle (12 oz) of Maple Syrup			
FROZEN FOODS			
1 package (20 oz) of Frozen Grilled Chicken Breast Strips			
INTERNATIONAL / ETHNIC			
1 package (16 oz) of Edamame (Shelled & Cooked)			
MEATS / SEAFOOD			
$1/_2$ pounds of Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast	$3/_8$ pounds of Salmon		
PASTA / RICE / BEANS			
<ul> <li>1/2 pounds of Brown Rice</li> <li>1 package (16 oz) of Whole Wheat Penne</li> </ul>	1/4 pounds of Quinoa		
PRODUCE			
<ul> <li>1 1/4 pounds of Asparagus</li> <li>1 bag (16 oz) of Baby Carrots</li> <li>1 pint of Blueberries</li> </ul>	2 Avocados 1 Banana		

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#### PRODUCE

	1 bunch of Broccoli Rabe		1 Cara Cara Oranges
$\overline{\Box}$	1 Carrots	$\Box$	1 quart of Cherry Tomatoes
$\overline{\Box}$	2 Cucumber	$\Box$	1 bulb of Garlic
Π	$3/_4$ pounds of Green Beans	$\Box$	1 bunch of Green Onions (Scallions)
Π	2 Kiwi	$\Box$	1 Lemon
Π	1 Oranges	$\Box$	1 bag (6 oz) of Raw Spinach 🔞
$\overline{\Box}$	2 Red Bell Peppers 🔘	$\Box$	<sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> pounds of Red Grapes
$\Box$	1 Red Onions		1 package (5 oz) of Spring Mix Lettuce 🔘
	1 pint of Strawberries 🍥		1 Tomatoes
	1 Yellow Onions	_	
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	1 package (4-5 oz) of Air-Popped Popcorn	$\square$	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub> pounds of Pecans

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> pounds of Pumpkin Seeds (Pepitas)

1 bag (12 oz) of Raisins	0



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#### SNACKS

<ul> <li>1/8 pounds of Sunflower Seeds</li> <li>1/8 pounds of Whole Almonds</li> </ul>	$1/_8$ pounds of Walnuts
SPICES / CONDIMENTS	
1 jar (1 oz) of Cayenne Pepper	1 jar (0.1-1 oz) of Dried Basil
1 jar (0.75 oz) of Dried Oregano	1 bottle (12 fl oz) of French Vinaigrette
1 bunch of Fresh Tarragon	1 jar (1 oz) of Ground Cinnamon
1 bottle (16 fl oz) of Italian Dressing	1 bottle (16 fl oz) of Olive Oil
1 bottle (12 fl oz) of Ranch Dressing	1 jar (1.6 oz) of Sweet Paprika



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### A DAY IN THE LIFE





#### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup water 2 dashes salt

1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cups blueberries 1 cup low fat Greek yogurt 3 tablespoons pecans toasted and chopped

4 teaspoons maple syrup

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 440kcal	Whole Grains 1.28 servings
Fiber 8.4g	Carbs 65g
Fruits 0.84 servings	Protein <b>19g</b>
Vegetables 0 servings	Total Fat 13g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 2.68g
Healthy Fats 1.35 servings	Sodium 235mg
Healthy Proteins 2 servings	Added Sugar 8.1g

### Blueberry Pecan Overnight Oats

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

→ 5 MINS PREP | → 8 HRS COOK | 2 SERVINGS

- 1. Combine oats, water, and salt in a jar. Cover and refrigerate overnight.
- 2. When ready to eat, heat if desired, and top with blueberries, yogurt, pecans, and maple syrup.



### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

30 red grapes

NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING		
Calories <b>51kcal</b>	Whole Grains <b>0 servings</b>	
Fiber <b>0.66g</b>	Carbs 13g	
Fruits 0.88 servings	Protein 0.53g	
Vegetables 0 servings	Total Fat 0.12g	
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 0.04g	
Healthy Fats <b>0 servings</b>	Sodium 1.47mg	

Added Sugar Og

#### Healthy Proteins **0** servings

#### Grapes By Everyday Eatlove

□ 2 MINS PREP | 2 SERVINGS

#### Method

1. Wash grapes and serve.



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#### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

2 kiwis peeled, sliced

- 1  $^{1}/_{3}$  cups non-fat Greek yogurt
- 2 sprinkles cinnamon

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 163kcal	Whole Grains 0 servings
Fiber 2.08g	Carbs 18g
Fruits 0.5 servings	Protein 16g
Vegetables 0 servings	Total Fat <b>3.7g</b>
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0</b> g	Saturated Fat 2.03g
Healthy Fats <b>0 servings</b>	Sodium 96mg
Healthy Proteins 2.66	Added Sugar <b>0g</b>
servings	

### Yogurt and Kiwi Fruit

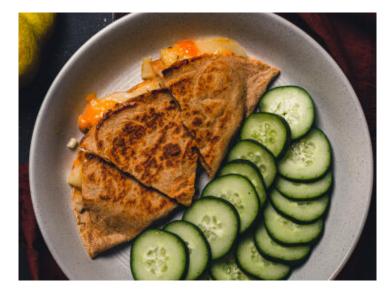
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□ 2 MINS PREP | 2 SERVINGS

- 1. Wash, peel and slice kiwi.
- 2. Serve with Greek yogurt. Sprinkle with cinnamon if desired.



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### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

- 2 whole wheat tortillas
- $^{1}/_{2}$  cup pepper jack cheese shredded

 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup mozzarella cheese

tablespoon dried basil
 cup canned pear thinly sliced
 teaspoons olive oil
 cups cucumber sliced

shredded 2 tablespoons onion chopped

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 431kcal	Whole Grains 1.33 servings
Fiber 8g	Carbs 40g
Fruits 0.5 servings	Protein 19g
Vegetables 2.09 servings	Total Fat 23g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 12g
Healthy Fats <b>1 servings</b>	Sodium 563mg
Healthy Proteins <b>0 servings</b>	Added Sugar <b>0g</b>

# Pear Quesadilla with

### Cucumbers

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

L 15 MINS PREP | L 5 MINS COOK | 2 SERVINGS

- 1. Sprinkle cheese, onion, and basil on one half of the tortilla. Place pear slices on top. Fold tortilla over the fillings.
- 2. Brush each side of the tortilla with oil.
- 3. Heat quesadilla in a nonstick skillet until cheese melts, about 2-3 minutes each side.
- 4. Cut into thirds and serve with cucumber slices.





INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

2 cups cucumber halved and sliced

2 ounces feta

10 olives pitted and sliced

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 116kcal	Whole Grains <b>0 servings</b>
Fiber 1.22g	Carbs 6.3g
Fruits O servings	Protein 4.89g
Vegetables 1 servings	Total Fat <b>8.5g</b>
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 4.59g
Healthy Fats 0.47 servings	Sodium 424mg
Healthy Proteins <b>0 servings</b>	Added Sugar <b>Og</b>

### Cucumber, Feta, and

OIVES BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

→ 5 MINS PREP | 2 SERVINGS

#### Method

1. Add cucumber, feta, and olives to a bowl and toss to combine.



### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

8 ounces chicken breast
1/2 cup quinoa
3 cups green beans trimmed

1 cup cherry tomatoes 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided 2 dashes salt 2 dashes pepper

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 472kcal	Whole Grains 1.21 servings
Fiber 7.9g	Carbs 41g
Fruits 0 servings	Protein 35g
Vegetables 2 servings	Total Fat <b>20g</b>
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) 0.03g	Saturated Fat 2.9g
Healthy Fats 3 servings	Sodium 212mg
Healthy Proteins 2.48 servings	Added Sugar <b>0g</b>

### Chicken, Quinoa, and

Veggies by everyday eatlove

🕒 10 MINS PREP | 🕒 35 MINS COOK | 👖 2 SERVINGS

#### Method

#### Chicken

- If you have a grill: prepare grill to medium-high heat and coat with cooking spray. Brush chicken with olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Place chicken on grill rack; grill 6 minutes on each side or until done.
- 2. If using an oven: preheat to 350° F. Brush chicken with half the olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Bake for 35 minutes until done.

#### **Quinoa & Veggies**

- 1. Cook quinoa according to package directions.
- 2. Preheat oven to 425° F.
- 3. Trim green beans. Toss with remaining olive oil, tomatoes, and salt and pepper. Roast until crisp and tender, about 12-15 minutes.
- 4. Serve.



INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

1 pound Broccoli Rabe tough stems removed

 $^{1}/_{4}$  cup onion chopped

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 dash peppers
- $^{1}\!/_{4}$  cup almonds to asted and chopped

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 221kcal	Whole Grains <b>0 servings</b>
	0
Fiber 8.7g	Carbs 12g
Fruits 0 servings	Protein 11g
Vegetables 2.76 servings	Total Fat <b>17</b> g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 1.73g
Healthy Fats 3.29 servings	Sodium 76mg
Healthy Proteins <b>0 servings</b>	Added Sugar <b>Og</b>

### Broccoli Rabe

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

□ 15 MINS PREP | □ 15 MINS COOK | 1 2 SERVINGS

- Boil water in a large pot on the stove. Add broccoli rabe and blanch for 1 minute. Place into a bowl of ice water to cool. Drain and set aside.
- 2. Heat oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add onions and cook until lightly browned.
- 3. Add broccoli rabe, and pepper. Stir and cook until tender, about 2 minutes.
- 4. Top with almonds to serve.



#### **INGREDIENTS**

2 teaspoons olive oil

- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup red onion finely chopped
- 1 red bell pepper rinsed, seeded, and thinly chopped
- 1  $^{3}\!/_{4}$  pounds canned whole tomatoes drained and chopped
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon sweet paprika
- $^{1}/_{2}$  teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 6 eggs
- 1 tablespoon feta cheese crumbled
- 2 whole wheat pita halved

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 366kcal	Whole Grains 1.33 servings
Fiber 10g	Carbs 40g
Fruits <b>O servings</b>	Protein 20g
Vegetables 2.85 servings	Total Fat <b>15g</b>
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) 0.06g	Saturated Fat 4.33g
Healthy Fats 0.67 servings	Sodium 650mg
Healthy Proteins <b>1</b> servings	Added Sugar 0.35g

### Spicy Tomato Eggs

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

□ 10 MINS PREP | □ 25 MINS COOK | 1 3 SERVINGS

- 1. Heat a large skillet on medium heat. Add the oil and sauté the onion.
- 2. Add the bell pepper and cook another 7-9 minutes until tender.
- 3. Add the tomatoes and spices. Stir often for about 10-15 minutes until bubbling.
- 4. Create small wells in the tomato mixture and crack an egg in each. Cover with the lid and cook for another 5 minutes until egg whites are set.
- 5. Top with feta and serve with warm pita bread.





#### **INGREDIENTS**

#### Wrap

- 1 whole wheat tortilla
- 6 ounces chicken breast
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> avocado sliced
- 4 cherry tomatoes halved
- 1 cup spinach chopped

#### Serve with

- 8 baby carrots
- 2 tablespoons hummus

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 592kcal	Whole Grains 1.33 servings
Fiber 12g	Carbs 39g
Fruits 1.5 servings	Protein 62g
Vegetables 1.54 servings	Total Fat 23g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) 0.02g	Saturated Fat 5.6g
Healthy Fats 2.64 servings	Sodium 506mg
Healthy Proteins 6.2 servings	Added Sugar <b>Og</b>

# Chicken Avocado

### Wrap with Carrots

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

□ 3 MINS PREP | □ 5 MINS COOK | 1 SERVINGS

- 1. Wash and prepare vegetables as needed.
- 2. Lay out the tortilla on a board or flat plate. Top with chicken breast, avocado, cherry tomatoes, and spinach. Fold the wrap.
- 3. Serve with baby carrots and hummus.





#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 tablespoon almonds
- $1 \frac{1}{2}$  tablespoons walnuts
- 2 tablespoons raisins

1 tablespoon Dark Chocolate Chips 1 cup Air-Popped Popcorn 1 pinch salt

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 267kcal	Whole Grains 0.33 servings
Fiber <b>4.62g</b>	Carbs 36g
Fruits 0.72 servings	Protein 5.7g
Vegetables 0 servings	Total Fat <b>14g</b>
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 2.97g
Healthy Fats 2.1 servings	Sodium 394mg
Healthy Proteins <b>0 servings</b>	Added Sugar <b>Og</b>

### Sweet and Salty Trail

Mix

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

5 MINS PREP | 1 SERVINGS

- 1. Add popcorn to a bowl and sprinkle with salt. Toss to combine.
- 2. Add in remaining ingredients and mix.



### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

4 ounces whole wheat penne

3 tablespoons olive oil

6 cloves garlic minced

4 cups asparagus rinsed and chopped into bite-sized pieces 1/2 can white beans drained & rinsed3 tablespoons Parmesan cheese

NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 581kcal	Whole Grains <b>1 servings</b>
Fiber <b>16g</b>	Carbs 74g
Fruits <b>0 servings</b>	Protein 25g
Vegetables 2 servings	Total Fat 24g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 4.66g
Healthy Fats 4.5 servings	Sodium 317mg
Healthy Proteins <b>0.81</b> servings	Added Sugar <b>0g</b>

grated

### Asparagus and White

Bean Pasta

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

→ 5 MINS PREP | → 15 MINS COOK | 2 SERVINGS

- 1. Cook pasta according to box directions.
- 2. In a medium skillet, sauté oil, garlic, and asparagus for 5 minutes. Add beans and cook for another 3 minutes.
- 3. Mix pasta with beans and asparagus and top with cheese.



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### Lettuce, Tomato, and

Cheese Salad

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

(└) 2 MINS PREP | ↓ 2 SERVINGS

#### Method

1. Wash spring mix and tomatoes. Mix salad ingredients in a large bowl, add dressing, salt and pepper and serve.

#### INGREDIENTS AND GROCERIES SCALED FROM ORIGINAL 1 SERVINGS

4 cups spring mix lettuce
1 cup cherry tomatoes
<sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> cup shaved Parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons Italian Dressing2 dashes salt2 dashes freshly ground blackpepper

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 117kcal	Whole Grains <b>0 servings</b>
Fiber <b>1.99g</b>	Carbs 11g
Fruits <b>0 servings</b>	Protein 4.18g
Vegetables 1.5 servings	Total Fat <b>7g</b>
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 1.94g
Healthy Fats <b>0 servings</b>	Sodium 489mg
Healthy Proteins <b>0 servings</b>	Added Sugar 2.65g



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#### **INGREDIENTS**

1 avocado  $^{3}/_{4}$  cup black beans drained & rinsed  $^{1}/_{2}$  lemon juiced

1 pinch black pepper 1 tomato sliced 4 slices Whole Wheat Bread 1 orange sliced

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories <b>436kcal</b> Fiber <b>15</b> g	Whole Grains <b>2.4 servings</b> Carbs <b>66</b> g
Fruits 2.25 servings	Protein <b>17</b> g
Vegetables 0.34 servings	Total Fat 14g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 2.08g
Healthy Fats 2.06 servings	Sodium 435mg
Healthy Proteins 0.75 servings	Added Sugar <b>0g</b>

# Avocado, Black Bean & Tomato Sandwich with

### Oranges

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

L 10 MINS PREP | 2 SERVINGS

- 1. Mash the avocado and beans together in a bowl. Add lemon juice and pepper.
- 2. Toast the bread and spread the avocado mixture evenly on it. Top with tomato and serve with orange slices.



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#### **INGREDIENTS**

#### overnight oats

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup oats

 $^{1}/_{4}$  cup milk

 $^{1}/_{2}$  cup greek yogurt

### <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup strawberries2 teaspoons maple syrup

 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup pumpkin seeds

#### garnish

 $^{1}/_{4}$  cup strawberries

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 483kcal	Whole Grains 0.64 servings
Fiber 5.7g	Carbs 51g
Fruits 1 servings	Protein 27g
Vegetables 0 servings	Total Fat 22g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) <b>0g</b>	Saturated Fat 5.4g
Healthy Fats 3.23 servings	Sodium 106mg
Healthy Proteins 2.25	Added Sugar 8.1g
servings	

### Strawberry Maple Overnight Oats

BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

→ 5 MINS PREP | 1 SERVINGS

#### Method

#### overnight prep

- 1. Add oats, milk, yogurt, and maple syrup into a reusable container.
- 2. Stir with a spoon until well mixed.
- 3. Wash and slice strawberries and add them, along with pumpkin seeds, to overnight oat mixture.
- 4. Put mixture into refrigerator and leave overnight.

#### to serve

1. Serve with strawberries the following morning.



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#### **INGREDIENTS**

1/2 cup edamame1 orange sliced1 red bell pepper sliced

2 slices deli turkey1 ounce cheddar cheese1 whole wheat tortilla1 tablespoon ranch

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 627kcal	Whole Grains 1.33 servings
Fiber 20g	Carbs 68g
Fruits 1 servings	Protein 32g
Vegetables 1.2 servings	Total Fat 28g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) 0.01g	Saturated Fat 9.2g
Healthy Fats <b>0 servings</b>	Sodium 1061mg
Healthy Proteins <b>3.16</b> servings	Added Sugar <b>0.7g</b>

### Turkey & Cheese Roll Ups, Veggies, and Orange BY EVERYDAY EATLOVE

→ 7 MINS PREP | 1 SERVINGS

- 1. Wash and prepare edamame, orange, and bell pepper.
- 2. Lay out whole wheat tortilla. Top with deli turkey and cheddar cheese. Roll up the tortilla.
- 3. Serve altogether with ranch. Alternatively, pack into lunch box for later consumption.



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### Banana and Sunflower

Seeds by everyday eatlove

□ 2 MINS PREP | 1 SERVINGS

#### Method

1. Peel banana and serve with sunflower seeds.

#### INGREDIENTS

1 banana

2 tablespoons sunflower seeds

# NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVINGCalories 205kcalWhole Grains 0 servingsFiber 4.52gCarbs 30gFruits 1 servingsProtein 4.9gVegetables 0 servingsTotal Fat 9.4g

Added Sugar Og

Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) 0gSaturated Fat 0.91gHealthy Fats 1.79 servingsSodium 2.74mg

Healthy Proteins **0 servings** 



#### **INGREDIENTS**

#### salmon

- 2 3-oz fillets salmon 1 dash salt
- 1 dash pepper
- $^{1}/_{2}$  lemon sliced

1 carrot peeled, sliced

- 2 green onions sliced
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sliced black olife drained
- 2 tablespoons fresh tarragon
- 2 tablespoons pesto

#### serve with

- 2 cups cooked brown rice
- 4 cups raw spinach
- $^{1}/_{2}$  cup cherry tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons white wine vinaigrette

#### **Cooked Brown Rice**

- 1 cup brown rice
- $2^{1/2}$  cups water

#### NUTRITION INFORMATION PER SERVING

Calories 527kcal	Whole Grains 2.56 servings
Fiber 5.8g	Carbs 52g
Fruits 0.25 servings	Protein 26g
Vegetables 1.64 servings	Total Fat 25g
Omega-3 (DHA+EPA) 0.88g	Saturated Fat 4.46g
Healthy Fats 2.58 servings	Sodium 513mg
Healthy Proteins 2.22 servings	Added Sugar <b>0g</b>

### Mediterranean Salmon in Parchment

BY COOKOLOGY

L 15 MINS PREP | L 45 MINS COOK | 2 SERVINGS

#### Method

- 1. Cook rice according to package directions, or follow link included.
- 2. Preheat oven to 425F.
- 3. Cut two 12-inch squares of cooking parchment; set aside. Season salmon with salt and pepper to taste; set aside.
- 4. Place lemon slices on the bottom center of each parchment square. Divide carrots, green onions and olives equally among sheets. Top each with salmon, tarragon and pesto.
- Fold over edges of parchment paper over salmon, stapling if necessary to create and almost airtight seal. Bake until salmon is cooked through and vegetables are crisp-tender, about 20 minutes. Transfer packets to serving plates; carefully open to serve.
- 6. Toss spinach with tomatoes and dressing. Serve alongside salad.

#### **Cooked Brown Rice**

- 1. Combine rice and water in a pot and bring to a boil.
- 2. Cover and reduce heat to low.
- 3. Simmer for 30-40 minutes until most of the liquid is absorbed then remove from heat.
- 4. Keep covered and steam for an additional 10 minutes.
- 5. Fluff with fork.

